

SIXTH DAY

(Monday, July 27, 1981)

The Senate met at 11:00 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Andujar, Blake, Brooks, Brown, Caperton, Doggett, Farabee, Harris, Howard, Jones, Kothmann, Leedom, Mauzy, McKnight, Mengden, Ogg, Parker, Richards, Santiesteban, Sarpalius, Short, Snelson, Traeger, Travis, Truan, Uribe, Vale, Williams, Wilson.

Absent-excused: Glasgow, Meier.

A quorum was announced present.

The Reverend Dr. Freddie B. Dixon, Sr., Wesley United Methodist Church, Austin, offered the invocation as follows:

Hear our prayer, O Lord,
As we pray for our land
May our forests stand straight and tall,
our lakes be clear, and our air pure.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May the products of our fields and factories
help to feed a hungry world.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our defenses be strong
against all that would destroy us.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our streets ring with laughter,
and our homes rejoice in love.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May all our people be equally free,
regardless of color or creed.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our leaders be wise and unselfish,
sincere and Godly.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our courts be uncorrupted
and our justice indifferent to wealth or prestige.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our liberty be without license,
and our law be without oppression.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
May our faith be strong and our love sincere
for You, the living God.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.

On motion of Senator Mauzy and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, July 22, 1981, was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Senator Glasgow was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Short.

Senator Meier was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Mauzy.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 15

On motion of Senator Jones and by unanimous consent, Senator Brooks will be shown as Co-author of S.B. 15.

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

S.B. 19 by Ogg Economic Development
Relating to vehicles hauling loose materials on highways; providing penalties.

S.B. 20 by Brown Economic Development
Relating to a disannexation and municipal incorporation procedure for residents of certain areas annexed by a home-rule city.

S.B. 21 by Brown Natural Resources
Relating to the board of directors of the West Brazoria County Drainage District.

S.B. 22 by Richards Intergovernmental Relations
Relating to the conveyance of certain state-owned real property in Fort Bend County, Texas.

S.B. 23 by Parker Intergovernmental Relations
Relating to the conveyance of certain state-owned real property to the city of Port Arthur.

S.B. 24 by Brown Natural Resources
Relating to creation, administration, powers, duties, operations, and financing of the Clear Creek Watershed Drainage District; providing a penalty.

S.C.R. 15 by Sarpalius Administration
Granting Lloyd Muennink permission to sue the State.

S.C.R. 16 by Sarpalius Administration
Granting Billy M. Gillman permission to sue the State.

S.R. 65 by Santiesteban, Parker, Natural Resources
Brown, Uribe, Truan
Directing the Senate Committee on Natural Resources to conduct a special interim study on marine accretion and use of cybernetic architectural devices for coastal reef protection, erosion control, and restoration and construction of wharves, piers, and other similar structures on state owned water bottoms.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Jones submitted the following report for the Committee on Finance:

S.B. 15**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

House Chamber
July 27, 1981

HONORABLE W. P. HOBBY
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

H.C.R. 16, Honoring Sybil Dickinson.

H.C.R. 17, Welcoming Burt Reynolds, Dolly Parton, and the production company of "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas".

H.C.R. 22, Expressing condolences to the families of Carl Baker, Steve Booker, and Anthony Freeman.

S.B. 5, Relating to adoption of a Medical Practice Act. (With amendments)

Respectfully,

BETTY MURRAY, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

SENATE RESOLUTION 63

Senator Richards offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that the Members of the Texas Senate pause on this twenty-seventh day of July, 1981, to note the birthday of our distinguished colleague and friend from the 16th Senatorial District of Texas; and

WHEREAS, This day marks the sixtieth anniversary of the birth of the Honorable John N. Leedom; and

WHEREAS, Senator Leedom's presence and contributions in the Senate have earned him the respect, friendship, and admiration of each member; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, 67th Legislature, 1st Called Session, That most sincere greetings and congratulations be extended to our fellow member, John Leedom, on this, his sixtieth birthday; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That this Resolution be presented to Senator John Leedom as a token of the best wishes of the Senate for many more happy, healthy, and productive years of continued outstanding service to his district and the people of Texas.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 18

Senator Parker offered the following resolution:

S.C.R. 18, Congratulating Jerry Newman, Texas State Artist for 1981-1982, on his distinctive career.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Parker and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Parker was recognized and presented Mr. Newman and his wife, Pattee.

Senator Parker also presented as a guest of the Senate today Metropolitan Opera star William Walker and his wife, Marcie.

RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The President announced the signing in the presence of the Senate the following resolutions:

H.C.R. 7

H.C.R. 9

SENATE RESOLUTION 62

Senator Uribe offered the following resolution:

S.R. 62, Commending Bob Ayres on his contributions to the state's musical heritage.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Uribe was recognized and presented Mr. Ayres and his wife, "Shorty", to the Members of the Senate.

GUEST PRESENTED

The President presented Mr. Ted Fehrenbach, prominent Texas historian.

The Senate welcomed Mr. Fehrenbach as a guest today.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 14

Senator McKnight offered the following resolution:

S.C.R. 14, Declaring the month of September as Texas Longhorn Cattle Month.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator McKnight and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 16

The President laid before the Senate the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Sybil Dickinson, former director of the administrative division in the Texas secretary of state's office, was a valued advisor and assistant to 17 secretaries of state, and throughout her many years as a public servant, she exhibited high qualities of fairness, dedication, and concern for the public good; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding woman began her career with the State of Texas as secretary to the late Railroad Commissioner Ernest O. Thompson; affectionately referred to by some as "the Secretary of State behind the scenes," Miss Dickinson is widely known for her ability to answer questions regarding the work of the secretary of state; and

WHEREAS, Miss Dickinson, whose ancestors came to Texas with Stephen F. Austin, has worked tirelessly to enrich the heritage of all Texans by her participation in various groups; she serves as a member of the Texas Historical Commission, the Texas Arts Alliance, the Austin Heritage Society, the Texas Historical Foundation, and the Texas Heritage Council; and

WHEREAS, Through her initiative, perseverance, and intelligence, Sybil Dickinson has pioneered new territory for women in government, setting an example for others to follow, and her accomplishments have provided a source of pride and inspiration to Texans for many years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the 67th Texas Legislature, 1st Called Session, honor Sybil Dickinson for her devoted service to the people of Texas and extend to her best wishes for continued happiness and prosperity; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Miss Dickinson as an expression of highest esteem from the members of both houses of the Texas Legislature.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Doggett and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 19

Senator Uribe offered the following resolution:

S.C.R. 19, Honoring the memory of Leo J. Leo, whose civic and political activities benefited his fellow citizens for many years.

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The resolution was read.